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STATISTICAL SUMMARY, 1968

Area: 3,694 acres.

Population: 21,280 (estimated mid-year, 1968)-(Census 1961 - 13,672)

Number of inhabited houses: 6,031.

Sum represented by penny rate: £3,200 (estimated 1.4.69).

Rateable Value : £770,726 (31.12.68).

General Rate 11/6d in the £. (for dwelling houses).

Birth Rate: 19.3 (crude): 16.9 (standardised).

Death Rate: 8.0 (crude) : 10.5 (standardised)

Comparability factors : Births - 0.88 Deaths - 1.32

Infant Death Rate per 1,000 births : 4.8

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# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

FOR THE YEAR 1968

To the Chairman and Members of the Fleet Urban District Council.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present for your information and consideration the Annual Report for the year 1968 prepared according to the directions of the Minister of Health and Social Security.

Plans are now well advanced to start building the new District General Hospital at Frimley Park and the Hospital should be in use by 1972.

The Fleet and District Hospital is to be retained and improvements are scheduled to start in 1970/71 which will provide a new ward unit. The hospital will continue to provide beds for the use of the local general medical practitioners although it will also provide much needed geriatric beds in the district.

Points of note in the vital statistical figures are an increase in the population of some three per cent with a decrease, as compared with the previous year, in the birth and infant mortality rates but with a increase in the death rate. The incidence of infectious diseases was low and no case of diphtheria nor of poliomyelitis was reported.

## Population.

The Registrar General's estimated mid-year population for 1968 is 21,280 showing an increase of 630 over the estimate for the previous year. This is an increase of 55.64 % since the 1961 census. Of the increase, only 240 is contributed by the excess of births over deaths.

The growth in population since 1962 is shown in the following table.

| Year. | Population. | Increase in Population. | Natural Increase. | Balance of Population movement inward. |
|-------|-------------|-------------------------|-------------------|--|
| 1962  | 14,180      | 1,170                   | 203               | 967                                    |
| 1963  | 15,380      | 1,200                   | 253               | 947                                    |
| 1964  | 16,580      | 1,200                   | 286               | 914                                    |
| 1965  | 18,060      | 1,480                   | 310               | 1,370                                  |
| 1966  | 19,800      | 1,740                   | 263               | 1,477                                  |
| 1967  | 20,650      | 850                     | 279               | 571                                    |
| 1968  | 21,280      | 630                     | 240               | 390                                    |

The birth rate of 16.9 per thousand of the population is lower than the rate for the previous year. The town's birth rate has shown an interesting variation over the past ten years as can be seen in the following table.

| Year | Number of Births. | Standardised Birth Rate. | National Birth Rate. |
|------|-------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|
| 1959 | 239               | 20.87                    | 16.5                 |
| 1960 | 269               | 21.28                    | 17.1                 |
| 1961 | 322               | 24.25                    | 17.4                 |
| 1962 | 336               | 22.44                    | 18.0                 |
| 1963 | 392               | 22.34                    | 18.2                 |
| 1964 | 448               | 21.88                    | 18.4                 |
| 1965 | 453               | 19.81                    | 18.1                 |
| 1966 | 389               | 17.87                    | 17.7                 |
| 1967 | 439               | 19.38                    | 17.2                 |
| 1968 | 411               | 16.90                    | 16.90                |

The birth rate reached a peak in 1961 and since then has gradually decreased and remains lower than the rate for Farnborough and Hartley Wintney districts. The average annual birth rate for the quinquennium 1951-55 was 16.51; for 1956-60, 20.35 and for 1961-65, 22.14.

Infant Mortality

The number of infant deaths fell from 12 in 1967 to 2 in 1968. The study of the peri-natal mortality rate ( the term used to describe the combination of still births with deaths occurring during the first week of life and being a measure of the birth loss due to circumstances before and during pregnancy and events during labour and delivery) since 1961 is of interest.

| Year | Number of Stillbirths. | Number of Infant Deaths. | Peri-natal Mortality Rate. |
|------|------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1961 | 8                      | 6                        | 36.36                      |
| 1962 | 5                      | 2                        | 14.37                      |
| 1963 | 6                      | 7                        | 20.25                      |
| 1964 | 6                      | 13                       | 28.63                      |
| 1965 | 4                      | 9                        | 26.2                       |
| 1966 | 4                      | 2                        | 10.17                      |
| 1967 | 5                      | 12                       | 22.5                       |
| 1968 | 4                      | 2                        | 12.0                       |

Causes of Death

The commonest causes of death are shown in the table below, together with the corresponding figures for the year 1967.

| Total Deaths                                | Number | Percentage of Total | Number | Percentage of Total |
|---|--------|---------------------|--------|---------------------|
|   | 171    |                     | 160    |                     |
| Diseases of heart and circulatory system    | 59     | 34.7                | 48     | 30.0                |
| Cancer                                      | 45     | 26.3                | 44     | 27.5                |
| Vascular lesions of the nervous system      | 15     | 8.7                 | 13     | 8.1                 |
| Respiratory disease other than Tuberculosis | 24     | 14.0                | 24     | 15.0                |

The mortality statistics generally show little variation from year to year but the deaths from lung cancer show a small but steady increase from year to year. This is shown in the following table:

Deaths from Lung Cancer

|      | Male | Female | Total |
|------|------|--------|-------|
| 1965 | 4    | 1      | 5     |
| 1966 | 7    | -      | 7     |
| 1967 | 7    | 2      | 9     |
| 1968 | 11   | 2      | 13    |

The relationship between cigarette smoking and lung cancer has been clearly established, yet it is obvious and also depressing to note that despite the fact that most people are aware of the risk of cigarette smokers developing lung cancer that a high proportion of the population still choose to smoke cigarettes.

As in previous years, the routine work of protecting young children against the preventible diseases of smallpox, diphtheria, whooping cough tetanus and poliomyelitis continued to be carried out, with in addition a programme of vaccination against measles and thanks are due to the private medical practitioners for their help in this connection.

I am grateful to the Chairman and Members of the Public Health Committee for their encouragement and help, to Mr. Robinson, Clerk of the Council, to Mr. Smale, Chief Public Health Inspector, Mr. Messer Additional Public Health Inspector and Mrs. Dickson, for their very great help and loyalty and devotion to duty.

I am, Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

N.McNeil.

Medical Officer of Health.

VITAL STATISTICS

|  |     |     |       |
|--|-----|-----|-------|
| Live Births:   | M   | F   | Total |
| Number ... ..  | 198 | 213 | 411   |
| Rate per 1,000 population ... ..                         |     |     | 19.3  |
| Illegitimate live births (per cent of total live births) |     |     | 3.9   |
| Stillbirths:   | M   | F   | Total |
| Number ... ..  | 3   | 1   | 4     |
| Rate per 1,000 total live and stillbirths                |     |     | 9.6   |
| Total live and stillbirths:                              | M   | F   | Total |
| Number ... ..  | 201 | 214 | 415   |



|                                      |    |    |       |
|--------------------------------------|----|----|-------|
| Infant Deaths(deaths under one year) | M. | F. | Total |
| Number ... ..                        | 1  | 1  | 2     |

#### Infant Mortality Rates:

|  |      |
|--|------|
| Total Infant deaths per 1,000 total live births  | 4.8  |
| Legitimate infant deaths per 1,000 legitimate live births  | 5.0  |
| Illegitimate infant deaths per 1,000 illegitimate live births  | Nil  |
| Neo-natal mortality rate (deaths under four weeks per 1,000 total live births)                                 | 2.0  |
| Early Neo-natal mortality rate (deaths under one week per 1,000 total live births)                             | 2.0  |
| Perinatal mortality rate (stillbirths and deaths under one week combined per 1,000 total live and stillbirths) | 12.0 |
| National Peri-natal Mortality Rate   | 25.0 |

#### Maternal Mortality (including abortion):

|  |     |
|--|-----|
| Number of Deaths ... ..                          | Nil |
| Rate per 1,000 total live and stillbirths ... .. | Nil |

|  |    |    |       |
|--|----|----|-------|
| Deaths:                                | M  | F  | Total |
| Deaths (all causes) ... ..             | 83 | 88 | 171   |
| Death rate per 1,000 population ... .. |    |    | 8.0   |

#### Comparative Rates

| Year                   | Birth Rate | Death Rate | Infant Mortality Rate |
|------------------------|------------|------------|-----------------------|
| 1967                   | 19.38      | 7.93       | 27.3                  |
| 1968                   | 16.9       | 10.5       | 4.8                   |
| England & Wales (1968) | 16.9       | 11.9       | 18.0                  |

#### CAUSES OF DEATH DURING THE YEAR 1968

|   | M  | F  | Total |
|---|----|----|-------|
| Cancer- stomach ... ..                      | 3  | 4  | 7     |
| Cancer - lung, bronchus ... ..              | 11 | 2  | 13    |
| Cancer - breast ... ..                      | -  | 2  | 2     |
| Cancer - uterus ... ..                      | -  | 1  | 1     |
| Leukaemia ... ..                            | 1  | 1  | 2     |
| Other malignant neoplasms etc. ... ..       | 9  | 10 | 19    |
| Benign and unspecified neoplasms ... ..     | 1  | -  | 1     |
| Diabetes Mellitus ... ..                    | -  | 3  | 3     |
| Chronic Rheumatic Heart Disease ... ..      | -  | 2  | 2     |
| Hypertensive Disease ... ..                 | -  | 1  | 1     |
| Ischaemic Heart Disease ... ..              | 22 | 22 | 44    |
| Other forms of Heart Disease ... ..         | 5  | 7  | 12    |
| Cerebro-vascular Disease ... ..             | 8  | 7  | 15    |
| Other Diseases of Circulatory System ... .. | 5  | 1  | 6     |
| Influenza ... ..                            | 1  | 1  | 2     |
| Pneumonia ... ..                            | 3  | 10 | 13    |
| Bronchitis and Emphysema ... ..             | 3  | 2  | 5     |

|  |     |     | M. | F. | Total |
|--|-----|-----|----|----|-------|
| Other Diseases of Respiratory System   | ... | ... | 4  | -  | 4     |
| Intestinal Obstruction and Hernia      | ... | ... | -  | 1  | 1     |
| Other Diseases of Digestive System     | ... | ... | -  | 5  | 5     |
| Hyperplasia of Prostate                | ... | ... | 2  | -  | 2     |
| Other Diseases, Genital Urinary System | ... | ... | 1  | 1  | 2     |
| Birth Injury, Difficult Labour, etc.   | ... | ... | -  | 1  | 1     |
| Motor Vehicle Accidents                | ... | ... | -  | 3  | 3     |
| All other accidents                    | ... | ... | 2  | -  | 2     |
| Suicide and self-inflicted injuries    | ... | ... | 1  | -  | 1     |
| All other External Causes              | ... | ... | 1  | 1  | 2     |
| Total - all causes                     |     |     | 83 | 88 | 171   |

## GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES IN THE AREA

### Nursing, Midwifery and Health Visiting Staff:

|  |                        |   |
|--|------------------------|---|
| Miss S.F.B. Hicks,<br>29 Kings Road,<br>Fleet.<br>Tel. Fleet 7178                  | District Midwife       | Attached to the Group<br>practice of Doctors<br>Tilly, Winchurch and<br>Harrison - Fleet and<br>unattached midwifery. |
| Miss R.M. Phillips.<br>34 Connaught Road,<br>Fleet.<br>Tel. Fleet 3650             | District Nurse         | Attached to the Group<br>practice of Doctors<br>Tilly, Winchurch and<br>Harrison - Fleet.                             |
| Mrs. P.E. Fraser,<br>1 Mason Road,<br>Cove, Hants.                                 | District Nurse/Midwife | Attached to the Group<br>practice of Doctors<br>Dobbin, Mathewson,<br>Crawshaw, Poyntz-Wright<br>and Aubrey.          |
| Mrs. U.M.E. Alexander,<br>26 Coxheath Road,<br>Church Crookham.<br>Tel. Fleet 4416 | District Nurse         | Attached to the Group<br>practice of Doctors<br>Dobbin, Mathewson,<br>Crawshaw, Poyntz-Wright<br>and Aubrey.          |
| Miss B.M. Grubb,<br>14 Westbury Close,<br>Fleet.<br>Tel. Fleet 4500                | District Nurse/Midwife | General work in Fleet.<br>Part-time attached to<br>Doctors Newell Price<br>and Collings-Wells, -<br>Fleet.            |
| Mrs. E.A. Hill,<br>79 Kings Road,<br>Fleet.<br>Tel. Fleet 6298                     | Health Visitor         | Attached to the Group<br>practice of Doctors<br>Tilly, Winchurch and<br>Harrison. - Fleet.                            |
| Miss D.L. Heath,<br>The Priory,<br>Odiham.<br>Tel. Odiham 3297                     | Health Visitor         | Attached to the Group<br>practice of Doctors<br>Dobbin. Mathewson,<br>Crawshaw, Poyntz-Wright<br>and Aubrey - Fleet.  |
| Mrs. Z.E.M. Collyer,<br>61 Ferndale Road,<br>Church Crookham.<br>Tel. Fleet 5655   | Health Visitor         | Attached to the practice<br>of Doctors Newell-Price<br>and Collings-Wells -<br>Fleet.                                 |

There is also a home-help service in operation and this is administered by the Home-Help Organiser, Mrs. P.M. Roberts, 107 Fleet Road, Fleet. Tel. Fleet 6513.

This area for general hospital purposes, comes under the South West Metropolitan Regional Hospital Board.

The Fleet Hospital contains 33 beds (9 male, 14 female, 6 children's and 4 private wards) and provides general medical and surgical treatment. There is a separate children's ward. There is no resident Medical Officer. There is a consultant surgical and medical staff in addition to the Doctors in practice in the area, who attend the hospital.

Cases of infectious diseases are treated at Northfields Hospital, Aldershot. The ambulance service provides for removal of patients to hospital through the local depots at Aldershot and Farnborough.

The County Council is responsible for School Medical Services, Mental Health, Maternity and Child Welfare, the care of premature infants and illegitimate children and the Tuberculosis service (prevention, care and after care only).

The special clinic for Venereal Diseases is held at the General Hospital, Aldershot and is under the jurisdiction of the Regional Hospital Board, as is the treatment part of the Tuberculosis service.

#### Laboratory Facilities:

The Public Health Laboratory Service is at the Public Health Laboratory, St. Luke's Hospital, Guildford. Tel. No. Guildford 66091 and the Director is Dr. G.F. Cook. All types of bacteriological examinations are carried out there.

Chemical examinations of water are carried out by the City Analyst of Portsmouth by arrangement with Portsmouth City Council, whilst examinations and analyses of foods generally is carried out by the Council's Public Analysts, (Messrs. Bernard Dyer & Partners Ltd., London).

#### Clinics and Treatment Centres:

Vaccination and Immunisation : Clinics are held at the Schools as required.

#### Special Clinics:

Women Monday, 11.00 a.m. - 1.00 p.m.  
and Wednesday, 2.00 p.m. - 4.00 p.m.  
at Aldershot General Hospital,  
St. Georges Road, Aldershot.

Men Monday, 11.00 a.m. - 1.00 p.m. and  
Wednesday, 4.00 p.m. - 6.00 p.m. at  
Aldershot General Hospital,  
St. Georges Road, Aldershot.

Chest Clinics: At Northfield Hospital, Redan Road,  
Aldershot, held every Monday, 9.15  
a.m.  
Old Patients 11.00 a.m.  
New Patients second Monday every  
month - Special Bronchitic Clinic.  
  
One Monday every month - B.C.G.  
Session.  
One Monday every month - Post B.C.G.  
Session.  
  
Tuesday, 9.15 a.m. and 1.30 p.m.  
Old and new contacts. Old patients.  
Urgent new patients.



Chest Clinics:

Held every Thursday 9.15 a.m. Old Patients and urgent new Patients.

Held on first, third and fifth Wednesday in the month at Fleet Hospital, old and new Patients.

Child Welfare Clinics:

Fleet (Church Hall)

Every Friday afternoon at the Church Hall, Albert Street, Fleet.

Fleet(Heatherlands)

Every 2nd and 4th Thursday afternoons in each month at Heatherlands Evangelical Church, 77 Aldershot Road, Fleet.

Church Crookham  
(War Memorial Hall)

Every Tuesday afternoon 2-4 p.m. and every Friday morning 9.30 - 11.30 a.m. at the War Memorial Hall, Sandy Lane, Church Crookham.

Dr. Newell-Price,  
The Surgery,  
Basingbourne Road,  
Fleet.

Every Monday.

Dr. Aubrey,  
Hillside Surgery,  
Fleet Road,  
Fleet.

Every Monday

Outside the district but serving the area, School Clinics are held as follows:-

School Eye Clinic at  
Aldershot General Hospital.

By appointment.

Audiology Clinic at  
School Clinic,  
St. Georges Road East,  
Aldershot.

By appointment.

Speech Clinic at  
School Clinic,  
St. Georges Road East,  
Aldershot.

By appointment.

Child Guidance Clinic at  
Manor Park House  
Health Clinic,  
Aldershot.

By appointment.

Dental treatment is available under the County Dental Service for children of school age, pre-school children and expectant and nursing mothers. This is now provided in the new Dental Clinic at Fleet Courtmoor School by appointment only.

## Diphtheria/Tetanus and Whooping Cough Vaccinations:

Diphtheria/tetanus and Whooping Cough Vaccination prophylaxis for infants and school children is done by the Local Authority for the County Council and it is a free service. Parents may elect to have their children done privately by their own Doctor. Children under school age can still be immunised at the weekly child welfare clinics.

## Prevention of Cancer of the Womb - The "Smear Test":

The County Council hold clinics at Manor Park House Health Clinic, Aldershot, for the early detection of cancer of the womb, for all women over the age of 35. Application for appointments are made to the County Medical Officer, The Castle, Winchester.

## PREVALENCE OF, AND CONTROL OVER, INFECTIOUS AND OTHER DISEASES.

### Notification of Infectious Diseases.

The Health Services and Public Health Act 1968 : Part III Notifiable Diseases and Food Poisoning, and The Public Health (Infectious Diseases) Regulations 1968, brought about a change in the list of notifiable diseases and in the provisions applicable to each disease.

The infectious diseases now to be notified to the Medical Officer of Health are:-

|                        |                       |
|------------------------|-----------------------|
| Acute encephalitis     | Ophthalmia neonatorum |
| Acute meningitis       | Paratyphoid Fever     |
| Acute poliomyelitis    | Plague                |
| Anthrax                | Relapsing fever       |
| Cholera                | Scarlet Fever         |
| Diphtheria             | Smallpox              |
| Dysentery              | Tetanus               |
| (amoebic or bacillary) | Tuberculosis          |
| Infective jaundice     | Typhoid fever         |
| Leprosy                | Typhus                |
| Leptospirosis          | Whooping cough        |
| Malaria                | Yellow fever          |
| Measles                |                       |

Notification of the diseases listed below is no longer required:

|                            |                   |
|----------------------------|-------------------|
| Acute influenzal pneumonia | Erysipelas        |
| Acute primary pneumonia    | Membranous croup  |
| Acute rheumatism           | Puerperal pyrexia |

### Comparative Tables

| Disease             | 1967 | 1968 |
|---------------------|------|------|
| Scarlet Fever       | 15   | 17   |
| Pneumonia           | 1    | 3    |
| Measles             | 842  | 34   |
| Whooping Cough      | 46   | 8    |
| Encephalitis        | 1    | -    |
| Food poisoning      | 3    | -    |
| Erysipelas          | -    | 2    |
| Infective Hepatitis | -    | 5    |



## Vaccination and Immunisation in Children.

The Joint Committee on Vaccination/Immunisation and the Standing Medical Advisory Committee of the central Health Services Council have revised the schedules of vaccination and immunisation procedures in childhood.

The revised Schedule of vaccination and immunisation procedure which has been approved by the Ministry of Health is detailed below: -

| Age   | Prophylactic   | Interval  | Notes   |
|---|--|---|---|
| During the first year of life               | Diph/Tet/Pert and oral Polio Vaccine (First dose)<br><br>Diph/Tet/Pert and oral Polio vaccine (Second dose)<br><br>Diph/Tet/Pert and oral Polio Vaccine (Third dose) | Preferably after an interval of 6-8 weeks.<br><br>Preferably after an interval of six months.     | The earliest age at which the first dose should be given is 3 months but a better general immunological response can be expected if the first dose is delayed to 6 months of age.                                   |
| During the second year of life.             | Measles vaccination<br><br>Smallpox Vaccination  | After an interval of not less than 3-4 weeks.<br><br>After an interval of not less than 3-4 weeks | While the second year is recommended for routine vaccination against smallpox, in individual cases and if special circumstances call for it, vaccination against smallpox may be carried out during the first year. |
| At 5 years of age or school entry           | Diph/Tet and oral Polio vaccine or Diph/Tet/Polio vaccine<br>Smallpox revaccination.   |   | With the exception of smallpox revaccination these may be given, if desired, at 3 years of age to children entering nursery schools attending day nurseries or living in children's homes.                          |
| Between 10 and 13 years of age.             | B.C.G. vaccine   |   | For tuberculin negative children.   |
| At 15-19 years of age or on leaving school. | Polio vaccine (oral or inactivated)<br>Tetanus toxoid<br>Smallpox revaccination  |   |   |

## Measles Vaccination.

Routine vaccination of all children who had not suffered from measles was begun during the year. This programme had to be curtailed due to production difficulties with the vaccine. Nevertheless, the number of children who have been vaccinated with the measles vaccine should ensure that the number of cases of measles occurring during the next twelve months should be very much less than would normally be expected to occur.

The following table shows the number of children immunised against Diphtheria, Whooping cough and Tetanus during the year, who completed a course of primary immunisation and who received re-inforcing injections.

| Year of Birth   | Diphtheria only |   | Diphtheria/Whooping Cough |   | Diphtheria/Tetanus |     | Triple |     |
|-----------------|-----------------|---|---------------------------|---|--------------------|-----|--------|-----|
|                 | P               | B | P                         | B | P                  | B   | P.     | B   |
| 1968            | -               | - | -                         | - | -                  | -   | 152    | -   |
| 1967            | -               | - | -                         | - | -                  | 5   | 179    | 108 |
| 1966            | -               | - | -                         | - | -                  | 5   | 4      | 79  |
| 1965            | -               | - | -                         | - | -                  | 1   | 3      | 23  |
| 1961/64         | -               | - | -                         | - | 1                  | 79  | 6      | 213 |
| Others under 16 | -               | - | -                         | - | 2                  | 125 | 9      | 40  |
| TOTALS          | -               | - | -                         | - | 3                  | 215 | 353    | 463 |

## Poliomyelitis Vaccination:

The number of cards received of persons vaccinated in the district during 1968 with 3 doses of oral vaccine was 375. In addition 522 children received booster doses.

## Smallpox Vaccination:

The number of children vaccinated in the first two years of life was more than in the previous year. As advised by the Ministry of Health, children are now preferably vaccinated during their second year rather than under 1 year.

The following table gives details of the age groups vaccinated.

| Age at which vaccinated | Primary vaccination | Revaccinations |
|-------------------------|---------------------|----------------|
| Under 1 year            | 5                   | -              |
| 1 year                  | 270                 | -              |
| 2 - 4 years             | 52                  | 8              |
| 5 - 14 years            | 14                  | 76             |
| 15 and over             | -                   | -              |
| TOTALS                  | 341                 | 84             |

#### Measles Vaccination:

The following table gives details of the age groups vaccinated.

| Year of Birth         | No. |
|-----------------------|-----|
| 1967                  | 34  |
| 1966                  | 55  |
| 1965                  | 69  |
| 1964/61               | 232 |
| 1960<br>or<br>earlier | 3   |
| TOTAL                 | 393 |

Tuberculosis:

No new cases were notified. There were no deaths from the disease.

Venereal Diseases:

No cases of venereal diseases were especially brought to the notice of the Medical Officer of Health during the year.

Infestation:

No cases of nits or scabies were reported to the Department.

Disinfestation:

Two rooms were disinfected on request.

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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE  
CHIEF PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR  
FOR THE YEAR 1968

To the Chairman and Members of the Fleet Urban District Council.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in presenting my Annual Report for the year 1968 and the twenty-second since my appointment in 1947.

The appointment of a new Additional Public Health Inspector from the beginning of the year enabled the routine work of the Department to get back to normal after the depletion of the Inspectorial staff for the last half of 1967. The routine work was kept up-to-date and the many and varied problems, which inevitably arise in a job so complex as that of a Public Health Inspector, were able to be dealt with, mainly without resort to statutory action.

On the housing front, a start was able to be made after several years, on the Council's house building programme with the commencement of 32 industrialised units, which formed the first part of several schemes comprising some 99 dwellings in the 1969/70 approved programme.

Although the number of food complaints was only half that for the previous year, this may not be of any great significance as the general trend in the number of complaints made seems to be in an upward direction. This in itself does not necessarily indicate a greater lack of care on the part of retailers and manufacturers of food as it is known that the latter go to great lengths to see that food leaves the food factory in as uncontaminated a condition as possible and in fact nearly all the larger food manufacturers now employ qualified Public Health Inspectors in their quality control departments. The Public are now encouraged, by radio, television, press and various women's organisations to contact the local Public Health Department where the quality or condition of food is suspect and rightly so and this results in a great deal of time being taken up in investigation of even the most trivial of complaints.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA

Water Supply

The whole of the water supply for the area is provided by the Mid-Wessex Water Company, and I am indebted to the Chief Engineer of the Company for the following report:-

1. Water was supplied to the whole urban district by the Mid-Wessex Water Company from wells in the chalk at their works at Greywell and Itchel.

The supply was continuously laid on under pressure and was satisfactory as to quantity and quality. The water was softened at the source before distribution so as to comply with the statutory limitation of hardness of 12<sup>0</sup> Clark and chlorination is applied at all sources.

2. Chemical and bacteriological examinations of the raw and treated waters were regularly and frequently made by the Company's resident chemists and bacteriologists in their laboratory and independent samples were satisfactory. The fluoride content of the supply is within the range 0.1 to 0.2 p.p.m.
3. The waters do not have any plumbo-solvent action.

4. No action was required by the Company in respect of any form of contamination.
5. The approximate number of connections in the District at the end of 1968 - 7,599. No information is available as to the number of standpipes.

#### Water Sampling:

##### (a) Public Main Supply.

Three samples of Mid-Wessex Water Company's main supply were taken from sources in different parts of the district and all were reported satisfactory, bacteriologically. The hardness figures were 12.5 degrees (Clark's scale). 11.2 and 11.1.

##### (b) Public Swimming Pools.

There are two privately owned public swimming pools in the district. One is an open air pool, where the water (a main supply) is treated by aeration, filtration and chlorination and the other is a heated indoor one, where the water (a main supply) is treated by filtration and chlorination. Regular chemical testing for chlorine content, carried out as routine, provides a reasonable check on the bacterial quality of the water.

#### Sewerage and Sewage Disposal.

I am indebted to your Engineer and Surveyor, Mr. C.J. Eastman, C. Eng., M.I. Mun. E., A.M.Inst. H.E., for the following report:-

The year saw the culmination of some two years work with the coming into operation of the extended works at Broomhurst Farm.

The completion of this scheme, costing some £290,000 was the signal for the lifting of the development ban.

The official opening in September was performed by the Rt. Hon. The Lord Nugent of Guildford, the Chairman of the Board of the Conservators of the River Thames, and operation so far has been satisfactory.

#### Sewerage Schemes - Soil Drainage.

Another completion was reached with the Central and Eastern Area (Contract No.11) at a contract price of some £129,000 and the coming into operation of the large new pumping station at Pools Yard includes a relief sewer to the Avondale Station.

In September the Western Area Drainage Scheme (Contract No.12) was approved and submitted for loan sanction, the estimated cost being £58,150 this being produced by Messrs. John Taylor & Sons, as the Consultants.

Other contracts prepared during the year included the pumping main diversions under the M.3 motorway, in conjunction with the Ministry of Transport's Road Construction Unit.

Next year's estimates include for the replacing of the Minley Road Ejector Station with pumps, and the adoption of a new pumping station at Broomhills, has added to the formidable list of such stations now operated.

Population statistics were produced during the year and a close watch is being kept on development applications and the effect on the sewerage systems.



## Sewerage Schemes - Surface Water Drainage.

The surface water scheme has not progressed so rapidly, although the main Culverting Scheme produced by Messrs. D. Balfour, as consultants, was submitted to the Ministry for loan sanction in May, this has not yet been given.

Emergency works were carried out in December to replace a collapsed surface water culvert under the Basingstoke Canal and though the district suffered the September torrents, in common with the rest of the district, damage was negligible.

## Public Cleansing (a) Collection.

In July the Public Health Committee considered preliminary Work Study Schemes for the refuse collection service and appointed the London Boroughs Management Services Unit as consultants.

A scheme is at present being prepared and it is hoped this will lead to incentive bonus scheme being applied with the agreement of the men and Union.

A bulky household refuse collection service has been introduced and has proved so popular that it is certain to be retained. This supplements the normal weekly collection and is a service provided as a result of the Civic Amenities Act, which also brought into being an arrangement with Yateley Motors to deal with abandoned cars, which seems to be working well.

Loan Sanction for the new Public Works depot is expected soon and it is hoped a start can be made on this badly needed facility in 1969.

## (b) Disposal.

The disposal arrangement with Hartley Wintney Rural District Council for the use of the tip at Hazeley Heath was introduced during the year and it's operation has gone relatively smoothly, thanks in a large measure to the co-operation received from the Rural District Council and it's officers.

The working party of the North East Hants and South West Surrey Consortium for refuse disposal, has continued it's meetings throughout the year and their report is expected early in 1969.

## Improvement Grants.

The number of applications for improvement grants remains disappointingly low (ten as compared with seventeen last year).

This state of affairs is not peculiar to Fleet, as the same position exists over the whole of the country. This fact has been noted by the Government and new powers in the new Housing Act might prove more attractive to owners of houses which need bringing up to a modern standard.

The following table summarises the applications received and the action taken thereon.

| Type of Grant | Applications received | No. of Premises | No. approved (premises) | Owner Occupied | Tenanted |
|---------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|----------------|----------|
| Discretionary | 7                     | 7               | 7                       | 4              | 3        |
| Standard      | 3                     | 3               | 3                       | 1              | 2        |
| Totals        | 10                    | 10              | 10                      | 5              | 5        |

#### Rent Act 1957 - Certificates of Disrepair

No applications for certificates of disrepair were received during the year.

Housing Act 1957.  
General.

At the end of the year, reconditioning works, in compliance with an official undertaking given in respect of one individual unfit house, were still in progress whilst the dwelling-house in respect of which a demolition order was made in 1964, was vacated and the dwelling demolished.

#### Slum Clearance Programme.

In June of the year under review, a report was presented to the Council and approved, showing that twenty-two dwellings were in varying degrees of unfitness and it was decided to deal with these by way of the Individual Unfit House procedure and with the prospect of the starting of an Industrial House building programme of 32 dwellings before the end of the year, it was hoped an allocation of houses in 1969 would enable part of the slum clearance programme to commence in that year and details of progress in this connection will be given in the report for the year 1969.

#### House Building Progress.

Total number of post-war houses erected in the district is:-

Council houses - 401; Private enterprise - 2,869 making a total of 3,270.

I am indebted to your Housing Officer, (Mr.M.G. Atkins) for the following report:-

After a lapse of several years the building of new council houses has commenced, and at the close of the year 32 were in the course of construction, although none were completed. It is also the intention to provide garages where required. Plans were also in hand for the redevelopment of the Albany/Kings Road site for warden-assisted accommodation comprising 15 one-person flats and 4 two-person flats. This would necessitate the rehousing of those tenants still in occupation of the old houses prior to their demolition. Additionally, it was decided that, owing to the sub-standard condition of the houses in Elvetham Road, these tenants would also be rehoused.



A major change in policy was made by the Council with regard to future lettings from it's waiting lists, when a Group plus Points Scheme was introduced, instead of the Merit Scheme. This has proved most satisfactory from an administrative point of view. It has also been found that new applicants appreciate details of the Points Scheme which has been made available to them, and being told of their exact position on the waiting list at any one time. The Council, however, has maintained it's policy of transferring tenants to accommodation more suitable to means, size of family, etc., where- ever possible.

An analysis of lettings for the year is shown below:-

|  |       |   |
|--|-------|---|
| General Housing - transfers to more suitable accommodation | ....  | 6 |
| " " - new tenancies  | ..... | 6 |
| " " - new tenancies (N.G.T.E.)                             | ..... | 8 |
| Old People's Bungalows - new tenancies                     | ..... | 1 |
| Campbell Close (Warden-assisted) - new tenancies           | ..... | 3 |

In addition, as a matter of urgency, one additional maisonette has been leased for staff housing.

At the close of the year the numbers on the waiting lists were as follows:-

|                          |       |     |
|--------------------------|-------|-----|
| General Housing          | ..... | 122 |
| Old People's Housing     | ..... | 46  |
| Warden- Assisted Housing | ...   | 28  |
| Slum Clearance           | ..... | 16  |
| Service Personnel        | ..... | 14  |

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Once again the Council were able to assist applicants on the waiting list with mortgages, and four were granted. Additionally, one council tenant obtained an advance for private house purchase.

#### Caravans

There is one privately owned and operated caravan site in the district, permanently licensed for 140 caravans. The site has been maintained in a very satisfactory condition during the year and the Community Hall has now been completed. This is an aesthetically beautiful building, in the erection and fitting out of which no expense has been spared and provides a much appreciated amenity for the site residents.

#### RODENT CONTROL

The Council is a constituent member, together with other local Authorities in the North East of the County, of the North Hants Pest Control Committee, which has met quarterly since 1945 to discuss problems, hear technical lectures and see films on rodent and other pest problems. Representatives of the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food and the Defence Department attend. Locally a free service continued to be given to both business and private premises.

During the late autumn the Rodent operator was on sick leave following a motor accident, and the resources of the Department were strained to the utmost in trying to keep reasonable control of the rodent work, especially as the depletion of staff occurred at a time when rodents are active and on the move. That we were able to keep control of the situation says much for the keenness and energy of both the Additional Public Health Inspector and the Student, who is attached to the Department for training.

A summary of the work carried out by the Rodent Operator is given below:-

|  | Type of Property |                 |              |                   |       |
|--|------------------|-----------------|--------------|-------------------|-------|
|  | L.A.             | Dwelling-houses | Agricultural | Business Premises | Total |
| 1. No. of premises inspected.                        | 13               | 539             | 53           | 526               | 1131  |
| 2. No. of premises found to be infested by rats.     | 13               | 387             | 53           | 325               | 778   |
| 3. No. of premises found to be infested by mice.     | -                | 47              | -            | 49                | 96    |
| 4. No. of inspected premises treated by L.A.         | 13               | 434             | 53           | 374               | 874   |
| 5. No. of block control schemes carried out ..... 51 |                  |                 |              |                   |       |

#### Pest Destruction.

The Fleet Pond was sprayed by the Military Authorities in the early part of the year and dwelling houses were treated for the following pests:-

Flies, ants, fleas, mosquitoes, beetles and mites.

In addition five parcels of clothing destined for foreign countries, were disinfected and certificates issued. Advice on the eradication of other pests, not defined as rodent pests under the Act, was given.

#### The Offices, Shops and Railway Premises 1963

This statute deals with the environmental welfare of employees in offices, shops, etc., (sanitary accommodation, water supply, heating, lighting, temperature and first aid) and action is now confined to following-up notices served, inspecting new premises and the routine inspection of existing registered premises.

The following tables give the statistical position at the end of 1968.

TABLE "A"

REGISTRATIONS AND  
GENERAL INSPECTIONS

| Class of<br>Premises<br><br>(1)                                | No. of premises<br>newly registered<br>during the year.<br><br>(2) | Total No. of<br>registered<br>premises at<br>end of year.<br><br>(3) | No. of registered<br>premises receiving<br>general inspection<br>during the year.<br><br>(4) |
|--|--|--|--|
| Offices  | 6  | 47   | 6  |
| Retail shops   | 7  | 129  | 7  |
| Wholesale<br>shops,<br>warehouses                              | -  | 2  | -  |
| Catering<br>establishments<br>open to the<br>public, canteens. | 2  | 16   | 2  |
| Fuel storage<br>depots   | -  | 2  | -  |
| Total  | 15   | 196  | 15   |

TABLE "B"

NUMBER OF VISITS OF ALL KINDS BY INSPECTORS  
TO REGISTERED PREMISES

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The total number of inspections is a great increase compared with the previous year, mainly owing to the fact that the Department had the services of an Additional Inspector for the whole year.



TABLE "C"

## ANALYSIS OF CONTRAVENTIONS FOUND

| Section of the Act | Facility or other Matter                             | Number found   |
|--------------------|--|----------------|
| 4                  | Cleanliness  | 4              |
| 6                  | Temperature  | 2              |
| 7                  | Ventilation  | 1              |
| 8                  | Lighting   | 1              |
| 9                  | Sanitary Conveniences                                | 5              |
| 10                 | Washing Facilities                                   | 3              |
| 16                 | Floors, stairs and passages                          | 3              |
| 18                 | Protection of young persons from dangerous machinery | 2              |
| 24                 | First Aid  | 2              |
|                    | Other matters  | 26             |
|                    |  | <hr/> 49 <hr/> |

## REPORTED ACCIDENTS

One accident (non-fatal) was reported in a retail shop, concerning an employee who was struck by a falling object in a storeroom.

It is the duty of the local authority to investigate any accidents reported in all premises registered under the Act and to take any necessary action by advice, warning letter or prosecution.

The County Council remain responsible through their Weights and Measures Department for the closing provisions of the Shops Acts.

## DRAINAGE

A further three dwellinghouses, on cesspool drainage, were connected to the public sewers during the year.

## INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD

## (a) Milk Supply

There are two producers of milk within the Urban District, and twenty-six retailers of bottled milk - (twenty-two from shops only).

Thirty inspections of dairies were made during the year and no statutory action was called for.

Of all the bottled milk sold in the area, only a very small percentage is not heat-treated (i.e. either pasteurised, sterilised or ultra heat-treated).

(b) Sampling

A total of sixty-eight samples were taken with the following results:-

| Designation        | No of Samples sub-<br>mitted | Methylene Blue Test |   |           | Phosphatase Test |   | Turbidity Test | U.H.T. Test |
|--------------------|------------------------------|---------------------|---|-----------|------------------|---|----------------|-------------|
|                    |                              | P                   | F | Test void | P                | F | Satisfactory   |             |
| Pasteurised        | 52                           | 52                  | 1 | -         | 52               | - | -              | -           |
| Sterilised         | 11                           | -                   | - | -         | -                | - | 11             |             |
| Ultra Heat Treated | 5                            | -                   | - | -         | -                | - | -              | 5           |
| Totals             | 68                           | 52                  | 1 | -         | 52               | - | 11             | 5           |

Once again it is pleasing to report that of 68 samples of milk submitted for bacteriological examination, only one failed the methylene blue test (keeping quality) and this maintains the improvement shown last year as compared with 1966. Ultra heat treated milk in waxed cartons, is becoming more popular, probably because of its long keeping qualities.

Six of the samples submitted were from schools in the District, thirteen were from roundsmen, and forty-six were from local dairies and shops. No action was required under Regulation 20 of the Milk and Dairies (General) Regulations, 1959 which provides for action where milk is suspected of having caused disease in human beings.

Designated Milk

The Local Authority, under delegated powers from the County Council, issue Dealers' Licences on behalf of the latter.

At the end of 1968 the following licences were in force:-

For Pasteurised Milk :           1 Dealer's (pasteuriser's)  
                                     20 Dealer's (pre-packed milk)

For Untreated Milk :            1 Dealer's (producer/retailer)  
                                     3 Dealer's (pre-packed milk)

For Sterilised Milk :            2 Dealer's (pre-packed milk)

For Ultra Heat Treated Milk: 6 Dealer's (pre-packed milk)

The one pasteurising establishment in the district is licensed by the Local Authority on behalf of the County Council.

Milk Supplies - Brucella Abortus.

No samples of raw milk were examined.

## Meat and Food Inspection

The butchers in the area, except in one case, obtain all their supplies of meat from wholesalers. One butcher purchases animals at a market and has them slaughtered at a licensed slaughter house in Farnborough. The meat is generally of a high standard and only relatively small amounts have to be condemned at the retail shops.

### Slaughtering Facilities

The Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food having accepted the Council's report under Section 3 of the Slaughterhouse Act 1958, there is nothing further to add under this heading. There are no licensed slaughterhouses in the area, the two licensed before 1939 not having been re-opened.

The following articles of food were surrendered and condemned as being unfit for human food.

|                           |   |          |             |   |          |
|---------------------------|---|----------|-------------|---|----------|
| Meat (offal)              | - | 71 lbs.  | Poultry     | - | 92 lbs.  |
| Meat (carcase)            | - | 199 lbs. | Other foods | - | 249 lbs. |
| Fish                      | - | 3 stones |             |   |          |
| Tinned meats<br>(various) | - | 73 lbs.  |             |   |          |
| Tinned foods<br>(various) | - | 440 tins |             |   |          |

### Food Hygiene (General) Regulations 1960

In accordance with paragraph 8 (c) of Circular 1/66 the following information is given:-

| Trade                           | No. of Premises | No. complying with Regn. 16 (W.H.B. etc.) | No. to which Regn. 19 applies | No. complying with Regn.19 (Sinks & H.W.) |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|---|-------------------------------|---|
| Butchers                        | 11              | 11  | 11                            | 11  |
| Bakehouses & Confectioners      | 9               | 9   | 9                             | 9   |
| Cooked Meats                    | 2               | 2   | 2                             | 2   |
| Fish (raw)                      | 4               | 4   | -                             | 4   |
| Fish (fried)                    | 3               | 3   | 3                             | 3   |
| Greengrocery                    | 8               | 8   | -                             | 8   |
| Grocers (including mixed shops) | 28              | 28  | 28                            | 28  |
| Cafes                           | 10              | 10  | 10                            | 10  |
| Factory and school canteens     | 8               | 8   | 8                             | 8   |
| Ice Cream premises              | 52              | 52  | 1                             | 52  |

A total of 482 inspections of all types of food premises were made during the year, a considerable increase on the previous year.

No ice cream is manufactured in the district and there are 52 retail premises where only a pre-packed article is sold.



The general standard of hygiene in the food premises remains satisfactory, both as regards the facilities provided and the food handling methods and opportunity is taken during routine inspections to emphasise to food handlers the vital necessity of maintaining cleanly personal habits and so reduce the risk of illnesses and food poisoning among the consuming population.

Food and Drugs Act 1955.

The following table gives details of complaints about the fitness of food and the action taken:

Section 2.

| Details of food complained of                 | Action taken   |
|---|--|
| (1) Mould in cocoa-nut ice                    | Referred to Aldershot B.C.<br>(food bought in that District) |
| (2) Mould in soured cream                     | Warning letter to manufacturer                               |
| (3) Sour and curdled U.H.T.<br>milk (carton). | Warning letter to manufacturer                               |
| Section 8.                                    |  |
| (4) Unsound Brawn                             | Warning letter to retailer                                   |

Adulteration etc.

The County Council is the responsible Authority.

I am indebted to Mr. J.S. Preston, Chief Sampling Officer, for the following report:-

"During the year ended the 31st December 1968, 181 samples were procured under the Food and Drugs Act, 1955, within the area of the Fleet Urban District Council.

Milk Samples.

140 samples of milk, including 36 of "Channel Islands" were taken. Of these, 16 were below the required fat content but they were all from individual churns included in larger consignments and, the average fat content of the consignments being in each case, above the required limit, no offences were involved.

Miscellaneous Samples.

41 samples of articles other than milk, including 3 of Ice Cream, were taken. All were found to be satisfactory.

General.

In addition to the samples taken under the Food and Drugs Act, the usual attention was given to the labels and descriptions of food and drugs under the provisions of the Labelling of Food Order and the Pharmacy and Medicines Act. There were no serious complaints regarding these matters.

Sampling for Pesticide Residues.

The results obtained during the first year of the recent programming of sampling of food stuffs for pesticide residues indicated a satisfactory situation in the County area. The full results for the second year are not yet available."

# GENERAL SANITARY INSPECTION WORK

Details of the inspections carried out during the year are given in the following table:-

Premises Inspected  
General:

|   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
|---|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Re: Water Supply                        | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 8   |
| Drainage                                | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 279 |
| Swimming Pools                          | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 45  |
| Caravan Sites                           | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 52  |
| Noise Nuisance                          | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 50  |
| Factories                               | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 93  |
| Animal Boarding Establishments          | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 7   |
| Rivers Pollution                        | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 36  |
| Public Conveniences                     | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 20  |
| Licensed Premises and Clubs             | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 25  |
| Refuse Disposal                         | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2   |
| Rodent Control                          | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 69  |
| Atmospheric Pollution (Clean Air)       | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 68  |
| Schools                                 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 20  |
| Shops                                   | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 38  |
| Keeping of Animals                      | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 18  |
| Offices, Shops and Railway Premises     | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 203 |
| Pest Infestation                        | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 32  |
| Miscellaneous Sanitary Visits           | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 117 |
| Miscellaneous Infectious Disease Visits | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 23  |
| Pet Animal Shops                        | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1   |
| Outworkers                              | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2   |
| Stables and Piggeries                   | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 4   |
| Accumulation of Refuse                  | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 24  |

Meat and Foods Inspection:

|                               |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
|-------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Butchers                      | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 48  |
| Cafes and Canteens            | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 33  |
| Dairies and Milk Distributors | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 30  |
| Fishmongers and Fish Fryers   | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 24  |
| Food Preparing Premises       | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 6   |
| Grocers                       | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 138 |
| Greengrocers                  | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 21  |
| Bakehouses and Confectioners  | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 17  |
| Visits re Milk Sampling       | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 64  |
| Miscellaneous Food Visits     | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 74  |
| Street Vendors                | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 9   |
| Re: Games Dealers Licences    | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 5   |
| Sweet Confectioners           | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 18  |

Dwelling Houses:

|   |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
|---|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Under Public Health Acts                | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 50  |
| Re-inspections under Public Health Acts | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 54  |
| Under Housing Acts                      | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 6   |
| Re-inspections under Housing Acts       | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 75  |
| Re: Improvement Grants                  | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 23  |
| Re-inspections - works in progress      | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 121 |
| Miscellaneous Housing Visits            | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 5   |
| Local Land Charges Enquiries            | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 11  |
| Inspections re Overcrowding             | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 2   |

Total 2,070

Drainage:

|                                    |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |
|------------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Alterations, additions and repairs | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 11  |
| Drains, stoppages cleared          | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 309 |
| Drain tests (water)                | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 8   |



The Rodent Operator also carries out the work of unstopping drains, on request, at a nominal charge to the occupier of 2/- per hour. This scheme is to the advantage of the occupier and is instrumental in the prevention of public health nuisances.

Complaints:

|                                   |     |     |     |     |     |                 |
|-----------------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----------------|
| Rodent infestation                | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 152             |
| Drainage (obstructed drains)      | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 341             |
| Pest infestation (general)        | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 130             |
| Public Health Nuisances (general) | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 42              |
|                                   |     |     |     |     |     | <hr/> 665 <hr/> |

FACTORIES ACT, 1961

The prescribed particulars on the administration of the Factories Act, 1961 are now given as an Appendix to the Report.

NOTICES SERVED DURING THE YEAR

| Form of Notice                 | Number served | Premises | Defects |
|--------------------------------|---------------|----------|---------|
| Informal:<br>Sanitary Defects  | 8             | 10       | 89      |
| Statutory:<br>Sanitary Defects | -             | -        | -       |

In conclusion, I must once again express to the Chairman and Members of the Public Health Committee my appreciation of their support. I also express my thanks to the Clerk of the Council, the Engineer and Surveyor, the Treasurer and until his retirement Dr. Coutts Milne and finally to the newly appointed Medical Officer of Health, Dr. McNeil.

To the very small staff in the Department a special tribute is due for their unfailing industry and loyalty in the execution of their many and varied duties.

I am,

Ladies and Gentlemen,

F.E.Smale.

Chief Public Health Inspector.

Annual Report of the Medical Officer of Health  
in respect of the Year 1968 for the Urban District  
of Fleet in the County of Hampshire.

Prescribed Particulars on the Administration  
of the Factories Act, 1961.

PART I OF THE ACT

1. INSPECTIONS for the purpose of provisions as to health  
(including inspections made by the Public Health Inspectors).

| (1)<br><br>Premises  | (2)<br><br>Number on<br>Register | Number of              |                               |                                    |
|--|----------------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------------|
|  |                                  | (3)<br><br>Inspections | (4)<br><br>Written<br>Notices | (5)<br><br>Occupiers<br>Prosecuted |
| (i) Factories in which<br>Section 1,2,3,4 and<br>6 are to be enforced<br>by Local Authorities                                | 3                                | -                      | -                             | -                                  |
| (ii) Factories not included<br>in (i) in which<br>Section 7 is enforced<br>by the Local Authority                            | 67                               | 93                     | -                             | -                                  |
| (iii) Other premises in<br>which Section 7 is<br>enforced by the<br>Local Authority<br>(excluding out-<br>workers premises). | -                                | -                      | -                             | -                                  |
| Totals   | 70                               | 93                     | -                             | -                                  |

2. Cases in which DEFECTS were found

| Particulars                           | Number of cases in which defects<br>were found |          |                                     |                         | Number of<br>cases in which<br>prosecutions<br>were instituted |
|---------------------------------------|--|----------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|--|
|                                       | Found  | Remedied | Referred<br>To<br>H.M.<br>Inspector | By<br>H.M.<br>Inspector |  |
| (1)                                   | (2)  | (3)      | (4)                                 | (5)                     | (6)  |
| Want of<br>cleanliness<br>(S.1.)      | -  | -        | -                                   | -                       | -  |
| Overcrowding<br>(S.2.)                | -  | -        | -                                   | -                       | -  |
| Unreasonable<br>temperature<br>(S.3.) | -  | -        | -                                   | -                       | -  |
| Inadequate<br>ventilation<br>(S.4.)   | -  | -        | -                                   | -                       | -  |

| Particulars   | Number of cases in which defects were found |          |                                     |                         | Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted |
|---|---|----------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|---|
|   | Found                                       | Remedied | Referred<br>To<br>H.M.<br>Inspector | By<br>H.M.<br>Inspector |   |
| (1)   | (2)   | (3)      | (4)                                 | (5)                     | (6)   |
| Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6.)                                       | -   | -        | -                                   | -                       | -   |
| Sanitary Conveniences (S.7.)  | -   | -        | -                                   | -                       | -   |
| (a) Insufficient  | -   | -        | -                                   | -                       | -   |
| (b) Unsuitable or defective   | 2   | 2        | -                                   | -                       | -   |
| (c) Not separate for sexes  | -   | -        | -                                   | -                       | -   |
| Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to outwork) | 3   | 3        | -                                   | -                       | -   |
| Totals  | 5   | 5        | -                                   | -                       | -   |

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PART VIII OF THE ACT  
OUTWORK

Sections 133 and 134

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